

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463 March 27, 2003

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Patricia Blevins, Treasurer Democratic State Committee Delaware P.O. Box 2065 Wilmington, DE 19899

Identification Number: C00211763

Reference: 30 Day Post-General Report (10/17/02-11/25/02)

Dear Ms. Blevins:

This letter is to inform you that as of March 26, 2003, the Commission has not received your response to our request for additional information, dated March 5, 2003. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. To easure compliance with the provisions of the Federal Election Campaign Act (the Act), please respond to this request (copy enclosed).

An adequate response must be received at the Commission by April 16, 2003. Adequate responses received on or before this date will be taken into consideration in determining whether audit action will be initiated. Requests for extensions of time in which to respond will not be considered. Failure to provide an adequate response by this date may result in an audit of the committee. Failure to comply with the provisions of the Act may also result in an enforcement action against the committee. Any response submitted by your committee will be placed on the public record and will be considered by the Commission prior to taking enforcement action.

Electronic filers must file amendments (to include statements, designations and reports) in an electronic format and must submit an amended report in its entirety, rather than just those portions of the report that are being amended. If you should have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Alissa Sagri on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 1, then press 2 to reach the Reports Analysis Division) or our local number (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely,

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Assistant Staff Director Reports Analysis Division



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Dear Ms. Belvins:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. The review raised questions concerning certain information contained in the report(s). An itemization follows:

-The totals listed on Lines 2i(a)(i), 21(a)(ii), 21(c), 29 and 31, Column B of the Detailed Summary Page(s) appear to be incorrect. Please be advised that you should add the "Calendar Year-to-Date" total from your previous report to the current "Total This Period" figure from Column A to derive the correct Column B totals. Please amend your report and any subsequent reports that may be affected by this correction.

The beginning cash balance of this report should equal the ending balance of your Amended 12 Day Pre-General Report, received 1/8/03. Please clarify this discrepancy and amend any subsequent report(s) that may be affected by this correction.

-The Commission notes the disbursament to the Non-Federal-Victory 2002 account for "transfer of misdeposits" (pertinent portion attached). Picase provide the date of the original deposit into the federal account and amend the appropriate report to disclose the receipt of these funds on Schedule A supporting the appropriate line of the Detailed Summary Page.

Although the Commission may take further legal action regarding the misdeposited funds, your prompt action in transferring-out this amount will be taken into consideration.

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-Schedule H3 of your report discloses a transfer(s)-in from a non-federal account(s) for the Sporadic Dems Program, Telemarketing 1, Telemarketing 2, Telemarketing 3 and Wilmington Lit 2, which appears to exceed the permissible amount(s) indicated by your allocation ratio for these events. Please be advised that transfers for shared activity must not exceed the non-federal share of the joint disbursements and that these transfers must be made within a 70-day time period: no more than 10 days before or 60 days after payment to the vendor. 11 CFR §§106.5(g)(2) and 106.6(e)(2) Please clarify the nature of this transfer(s)-in from the non-federal account.

The Commission recommends that you immediately transfer the total excessive amount received by your federal account back to your non-federal account. Although the Commission may take further legal action concerning this prohibited activity, your prompt action will be taken into consideration.

-Your EVENT YEAR-TO-DATE calculations for the Administrative/Voter Drive category are incorrect. EVENT YEAR-TO-DATE totals for administrative and voter drive costs are derived by aggregating all disbursements during the calendar year for the whole Administrative/Voter Drive category. EVENT YEAR-TO-DATE totals for fundraising, direct candidate support, and exempt activities are derived by aggregating all disbursements during the calendar year within a specific event. These should be calculated by adding the latest disbursement for a caregory or event to the previous EVENT YEAR-TO-DATE total for that category or event. This running EVENT YEAR-TO-DATE total should be disclosed after each disbursement is listed. Please amend your report by providing the correct EVENT YEAR-TO-DATE totals.

-Please clarify all expenditures made for "Advertising," "Advertisement" and "Display Advertisement" on Schedule(s) H4. If a portion or all of these expenditures were made on behalf of specifically identified federal candidates, this amount should be disclosed on Schedules B. E. or F supporting Lines 23, 24 or 25 and include the amount, name, address and office sought by each candidate. II CFR §§104.3(b) and 106.1

-On Schedule H4 supporting Line 21(a) of the Detailed Summary Page, you have checked the category DIRECT CANDIDATE SUPPORT for the payment(s) to Kennedy Communications, BCD Systems, U.S Postal Services and The Contact Group. You have disclosed the total FEDERAL SHARE as \$9,055.87. Be advised that any FEDERAL SHARE in-kind payments, independent expenditures or coordinated expenditures for

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DIRECT CANDIDATE SUPPORT must also be itemized on Schedule B, E or F supporting Lines 23, 24 or 25, of the Detailed Summary Page, respectively, and not included in the total for this page. Please amend your report to correct this apparent discrepancy.

A response or an amendment to your original report(s) correcting the above problem(s) should be filed with the Federal Election Commission within fifteen (15) days of the date of this letter. Electronic filets must file amendments (to include statements, designations and reports) in an electronic format and must submit an amended report in its entirety, rather than just those portions of the report that are being amended. If you need assistance, please feel free to contact me on our toll-free number, (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 1, then press 2 to teach the Reports Analysis Division). My local number is (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely,

Alissa V. Sagri

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